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vehicle, thereby revealing the refinish colorcoat composition that matches the color and color effect of the vehicle's original finish.

Please replace claim 3 with the following amended version:

8. (Amended) A method for determining a refinish colorcoat composition that matches the color and color effect of a vehicle's original finish, which comprises in any workable order:

- (a) gathering the VIN (vehicle identification number), manufacturer's paint code, and manufacture date from a vehicle needing refinishing;
- (b) extracting from the VIN the model year and manufacturing site information for that vehicle;
- (c) searching a database that contains the manufacturer's paint codes, refinish data assigned to each paint code that indicates the matching refinish colorcoat compositions created for that particular paint code, VIN numbers assigned to each refinish colorcoat composition that indicates the model year and manufacturing site for which that particular refinish colorcoat composition was developed, and manufacturing dates assigned to each refinish colorcoat composition that indicates the manufacture dates for which that particular refinish composition is applicable; and,
- (d) identifying the refinish colorcoat composition in the database that matches the paint code, model year, manufacturing site, and manufacture date extracted from the vehicle, thereby revealing the refinish colorcoat composition that matches the color and color effect of the vehicle's original finish.

Please replace claim 11 with the following amended version:

- 1. (Amended) A method for determining a refinish colorcoat composition that matches the color and color effect of a vehicle's original finish, which comprises in any workable order:
- (a) ascertaining the manufacturer's paint code, model year, site of manufacture, and optionally date of manufacture of a vehicle needing refinishing;
- (b) searching a database of refinish colorcoat compositions wherein each refinish composition in the database has assigned thereto a manufacture's paint

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